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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AFTER FILING NOTICE OF APPEAL AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

Sir:

Following the filing of a Notice of Appeal on March 23, 2009, Applicants hereby submit this Request for Continued Examination and Amendment and Remarks (the "Request and Amendment") in response to the final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent Office on September 23, 2008. Applicants respectfully request an extension of time for filing the Request and Amendment up to October 23, 2009, and hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the requisite fees due in connection with this Request and Amendment to Deposit Account No. 50-3081.

Applicants hereby request Continued Examination of the present application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114 and enclose claim amendments together with remarks regarding the patentability of the amended claims.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment and Remarks, in which:

- Claim Amendments begin on page 2.
- Remarks begin on page 9.